

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF GEORGIA
VALDOSTA DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	:	
v.	:	CASE NO. 7:23-CR-45 (WLS)
JUDITH ALANE CHAVIS	:	
Defendant	:	

PRELIMINARY ORDER OF FORFEITURE/MONEY JUDGMENT

WHEREAS, on October 30, 2024, Defendant Judith Alane Chavis (hereinafter "Chavis" or "Defendant"), pled guilty to Counts One through Ten of the Indictment charging her with Wire Fraud, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1343, and Money Laundering, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1957 and 1956(a)(1)(A)(i);

AND WHEREAS, the Indictment contained a Forfeiture Notice, pursuant to which the United States seeks forfeiture under Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C), in conjunction with Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), of any property real or personal, which constitutes or is derived from proceeds traceable to such offense(s); and/or any property, real or personal, involved in or traceable to such property pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 982(a)(1), including, but not limited to a money judgment in the amount of \$178,500.00;

AND WHEREAS, the Defendant plead guilty to a written Plea Agreement to Counts one through Ten of the Indictment charging Chavis with Wire Fraud, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1343, and Money Laundering, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1957 and 1956(a)(1)(A)(i);

AND WHEREAS, the United States has filed a Motion and Memorandum for the Issuance of a Preliminary Order of Forfeiture/Money Judgment against Chavis in the amount of one hundred seventy-eight thousand, five hundred dollars (\$178,500.00);

WHEREAS, Rule 32.2(c)(1) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure provides that "no ancillary proceeding is required to the extent that the forfeiture consists of a money judgment";

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED THAT:

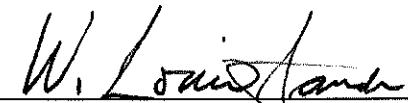
1. Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 981(a)(1)(C), 18 U.S.C. § 982(a)(1), 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c), 18 U.S.C. § 3554, and Rule 32.2(b), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, the Court finds by a preponderance of the evidence that the United States has demonstrated the required nexus between the personal money judgment amount and the offense(s) of conviction, and the Defendant shall forfeit to the United States the sum of one hundred seventy-eight thousand, five hundred dollars (\$178,500.00).

2. The United States District Court, Middle District of Georgia, shall retain jurisdiction in the case for the purpose of enforcing this Order of Forfeiture/Money Judgment.

3. Pursuant to FED. R. CRIM. P. 32.2(b)(4), this Order of Forfeiture/Money Judgment shall become final as to the Defendant at the time of sentencing and shall be made part of the sentence and included in the judgment.

4. As issued this date, this Order of Forfeiture/Money Judgment consists of a judgment for a sum of money. The United States may, at any time, move pursuant to FED. R. CRIM. P. 32.2(e), to amend this Order of Forfeiture/Money Judgment if the Government locates specific assets traceable to the subject property or other assets subject to forfeiture as substitute assets pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 853(p), as incorporated by 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c), through 18 U.S.C. § 981(a)(1)(C) and 18 U.S.C. § 982(b).

SO ORDERED, this 24th day of March, 2025.



W. LOUIS SANDS, JUDGE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF GEORGIA

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